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REMARKS

At the time of the Office Action, Claims 1-31 were pending. The Examiner allowed claims 1-28, and rejected claims 29-31 for an error in form under 35 U.S.C. §112. The Examiner stated that claims 29-31 would be allowable if rewritten in proper form to correct the lack of sufficient antecedent basis of a limitation in independent claim 29.

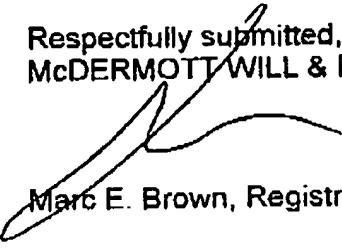
Independent claim 29 has been rewritten in proper form, and is now in condition for allowance. Consequently, dependent claims 30-31, which depend upon claim 29, are also in condition for allowance. Therefore, this case is now in condition for allowance and early notice of the same is earnestly requested.

CONCLUSION

For all the above reasons, Assignee submits that the application is in condition for allowance, which action it respectfully solicits.

Assignee believes that no extension of time is required. However, to the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 501946, please credit any excess fees to such deposit account and please reference attorney docket number 64693-074.

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